

best as he embarks upon this new phase of his life. Certainly, he has earned the right to retire, but he will be sorely missed.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DIETARY SUPPLEMENT FAIRNESS IN ADVERTISING ACT

HON. MICHAEL D. CRAPO

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 1998

Mr. CRAPO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to introduce legislation to reaffirm Congress' intent in enacting the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act (DSHEA). In enacting DSHEA, Congress intended to ensure that all Americans have access to factual information about vitamins and other dietary supplements so that they can make informed decisions about their health.

Among other things, DSHEA requires the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to promulgate reasonable guidelines to regulate the content of dietary supplement labels. The expressed goal of this requirement is to ensure that the labels give consumers information necessary for them to make informed decisions on whether they want to take a particular supplement. The information on the labels is to be factual and cannot make claims regarding medical or disease benefits (which are reserved for FDA-approved drugs), but can inform consumers of the benefits and effects of the supplement. After some fits and starts, the FDA has complied with DSHEA, and consumers are benefiting.

It seems only logical that the same information the FDA allows on the label of a dietary supplement should be permitted for use in advertising of that same supplement. However, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is seeking to regulate the advertising of dietary supplements by denying consumers some of the very information that DSHEA required the FDA to let them have. Not only is it unfair to require the manufacturers of these products to work under two sets of contradictory regulations, but it also repudiates the intent of Congress that consumers have accurate and helpful information in making decisions about their health.

Mr. Speaker, the legislation that I am introducing would require the FTC to allow the same information in advertising of dietary supplements that is allowed on labels of the same products. It simply forbids one federal agency from adopting requirements for an industry that Congress prohibited another agency from adopting.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TODD TIAHRT

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 1998

Mr. TIAHRT. Mr. Speaker, on September 14th, I was unavoidably detained and missed four recorded votes on the following bills: S. 2206, The Community Opportunities, Accountability, and Training and Educational Services Act; H. Con. Res. 304, Expressing the Sense of Congress regarding the Culpability of

Slobodan Milosevic for War Crimes, Crimes against Humanity, and Genocide in the Former Yugoslavia; H. Con. Res. 254, Calling on Cuba to Extradite to the United States Convicted Felon Joanne Chesimard and all other individuals who have fled the United States to avoid prosecution or confinement for criminal offenses and who are currently living freely in Cuba; and H. Con. Res. 185, Expressing the Sense of Congress on the Occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and Recommitting the United States to the Principles Expressed in the Universal Declaration. Had I been present I would have voted yea on all four bills; roll call numbers 426-429.

DONALD ROSS BROOKS—SAN DIEGO COUNTY BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL 1998 RETIRED LABOR LEADER OF THE YEAR

HON. BOB FILNER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 1998

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I rise today to recognize Donald Ross Brooks as he is honored by the San Diego County Building and Construction Trades Council at the September 19, 1998 John S. Lyons Memorial Banquet for his contributions on behalf of working men and women and his community.

Donald Ross Brooks is a native of Nebraska and came to San Diego from Kansas. At nineteen years of age, he joined the Navy hoping to see the world and was stationed at San Diego's North Island Naval Base. Following his three and one half years in the Navy, Donald worked as a police officer for the City of Coronado.

In 1958, he joined the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 36 and worked as a truck driver for twenty years. In 1981, then-Teamsters Secretary-Treasurer Arkie Spoon appointed Brooks to the position of Business Representative for his local. During his ten year tenure in this position, he worked diligently to represent the interests of the construction drivers and warehousemen. He offered encouragement and advice to the Business Representatives of the various Building Trades Unions and served as mentor to his fellow Union brothers and sisters.

While raising his family of four boys, Donald also volunteered his time, energy and skills to the Cowles Mountain Little League. He shared his patience, knowledge and team-spirit with Little League players as he helped to build Little League Fields, served as league president, acted as player's agent and coached teams.

Donald exemplifies the high values, standards, and principles of the work of the late John S. Lyons in community service. I join in adding my sincere thanks to him for his many contributions that have earned him the San Diego County Building and Construction Trades Council's 1998 Retired Labor Leader of the Year Award.

CONCERNING HILL INTERNATIONAL, INC.

HON. STEVE R. ROTHMAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 1998

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to add my full support for the settlement of outstanding claims filed by U.S. companies against the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

In the early 1980's dozens of American companies filed claims totaling hundreds of millions of dollars for debts owed to them by the Kingdom. Following the creation of a formal claims resolution process by Congress in 1993, each of these claims have been settled, save one—the claim filed by Hill International, Inc., a New Jersey company to whom Saudi Arabia still owes over \$55 million.

The merits of Hill International's claims are not in dispute. Our own State Department has promised its full support and has even pledged to aid Hill International in their fight to collect what is owed to them. Dozens of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle have made an appeal for fairness on this issue and have urged Saudi Arabian authorities to settle this final claim promptly. But sadly, to this day, no movement has been realized on this important issue.

Perhaps the government of Saudi Arabia believes their efforts to settle outstanding claims have been "close enough." Mr. Speaker, I want to send a message to Saudi Arabia that as a friend of the United States they should lead by example and pay this final debt.

HONORING DR. MALIK HASAN

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 16, 1998

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I'd like to take a moment to applaud and honor an individual of enormous skill, dedication, and achievement who I am lucky enough to count as one of my constituents. His work, which has already been widely recognized, deserves to be mentioned here on the House floor.

Dr. Malik Hasan, who lives in Pueblo, Colorado, is considered one of the finest neurologist's in Colorado, if not the nation. Dr. Masan has worked at the Parkview Medical Center since 1975 and gone to extraordinary lengths to enhance patient care and service in a geographical area in dire need of assistance.

Just a few of his accomplishment over the past twenty-three years at Parkview Medical Center include: establishing and developing a Neurology Services department; establishing a Neuro Intensive Care Unit equipped with the area's first CT SCAN; setting up extensive outreach programs in such communities as Alamosa, Walsenburg, Trinidad and Raton; revitalizing the EEG Lab and beginning an EMG Lab; and donating nearly \$175,000 to help fund Parkview's expansion in order to bring quality health care to those in need.

It is this type of community involvement and unselfish dedication to making the world a better place that has earned Dr. Masan the admiration and appreciation of so many. His deep